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Attorney General John Ashcroft US Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW Washington, DC 20530

Attention: Microsoft Settlement

Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing to voice my opinion regarding the settlement of the Microsoft case. I am glad to see that there is an end in sight. I just hope that the settlement is accepted and we can all get on with our lives. Microsoft has given a lot to our economy and they need to be allowed to focus on developing new products instead of fighting legal battles.

I work in the Development office at a private school in Maryland; we use Microsoft products to run our department and I personally use Microsoft products at home as well. Even though the settlement is harsher than they have wanted, Microsoft is agreeing to a lot just so they can move forward with business. They are sharing an unprecedented amount of technology information with their competitors and will also be changing their anti-competitive business practices. All of the terms of the settlement are more than fair and will allow our computer industry to boom again.

Please do your part in ending this lawsuit. I believe it is for the good of our entire country that you accept the proposed settlement.

Sincerely,

Jane R. Maytin